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## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the second paragraph on page five with the following amended paragraph:

Also shown in Fig. 1 is a wand assembly indicated generally at 16 comprising a rigid tubular wand 17 at one end of which a handle assembly 18 is connected and at the opposite end of which a cleaning head 19 is connected. The wand may be telescopically extendible and able to be fixed at a required length to make it easy for a user holding the handle 18 to work the cleaning head over a floor surface. The handle 18 provides a pivotal connection at 20 [[19]] for a flexible suction hose (not shown) extending to the main unit 10. The suction hose may connect to the main unit 10 at a detachable connection for example at the front end of the body 11 as indicated at 21, or could be arranged to be deployed as required from, or retracted to, a hose storage reel incorporated in the body 11.